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# Water Supply Outlook For Utah



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## TO RECIPIENTS OF WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK REPORTS:

Most of the usable water in western states originates as mountain snowfall. This snowfall accumulates during the winter and spring, several months before the snow melts and appears as streamflow. Since the runoff from precipitation as snow is delayed, estimates of snowmelt runoff can be made well in advance of its occurrence. Streamflow forecasts published in this report are based principally on measurement of the water equivalent of the mountain snowpack.

Forecasts become more accurate as more of the data affecting runoff are measured. All forecasts assume that climatic factors during the remainder of the snow accumulation and melt season will interact with a resultant average effect on runoff. Early season forecasts are therefore subject to a greater change than those made on later dates.

The snow course measurement is obtained by sampling snow depth and water equivalent at surveyed and marked locations in mountain areas. A total of about ten samples are taken at each location. The average of these are reported as snow depth and water equivalent. These measurements are repeated in the same location near the same dates each year.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly from January 1 through June 1 in most states. There are about 1900 snow courses in Western United States and in the Columbia Basin in British Columbia. Networks of automatic snow water equivalent and related data sensing devices, along with radio telemetry are expanding and will provide a continuous record of snow water and other parameters at key locations.

Detailed data on snow course and soil moisture measurements are presented in state and local reports. Other data on reservoir storage, summaries of precipitation, current streamflow, and soil moisture conditions at valley elevations are also included. The report for Western United States presents a broad picture of water supply outlook conditions, including selected streamflow forecasts, summary of snow accumulation to date, and storage in larger reservoirs.

Snow survey and soil moisture data for the period of record are published by the Soil Conservation Service by states about every five years. Data for the current year is summarized in a West-wide basic data summary and published about October 1 of each year.

*COVER PHOTO: VIEW OF A SNOTEL DATA SITE IN THE SNOWY RANGE IN WYOMING. TALL CYLINDRICAL DEVICE IS A PRECIPITATION GAGE. SNOW PILLOWS ON THE GROUND NOT VISIBLE DUE TO SNOW COVER. SHELTER HOUSE, ANTENNA TOWER, ANTENNA, AND TEMPERATURE UNIT ARE VISIBLE BEHIND THE PRECIPITATION GAGE.*

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# **WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK FOR UTAH**

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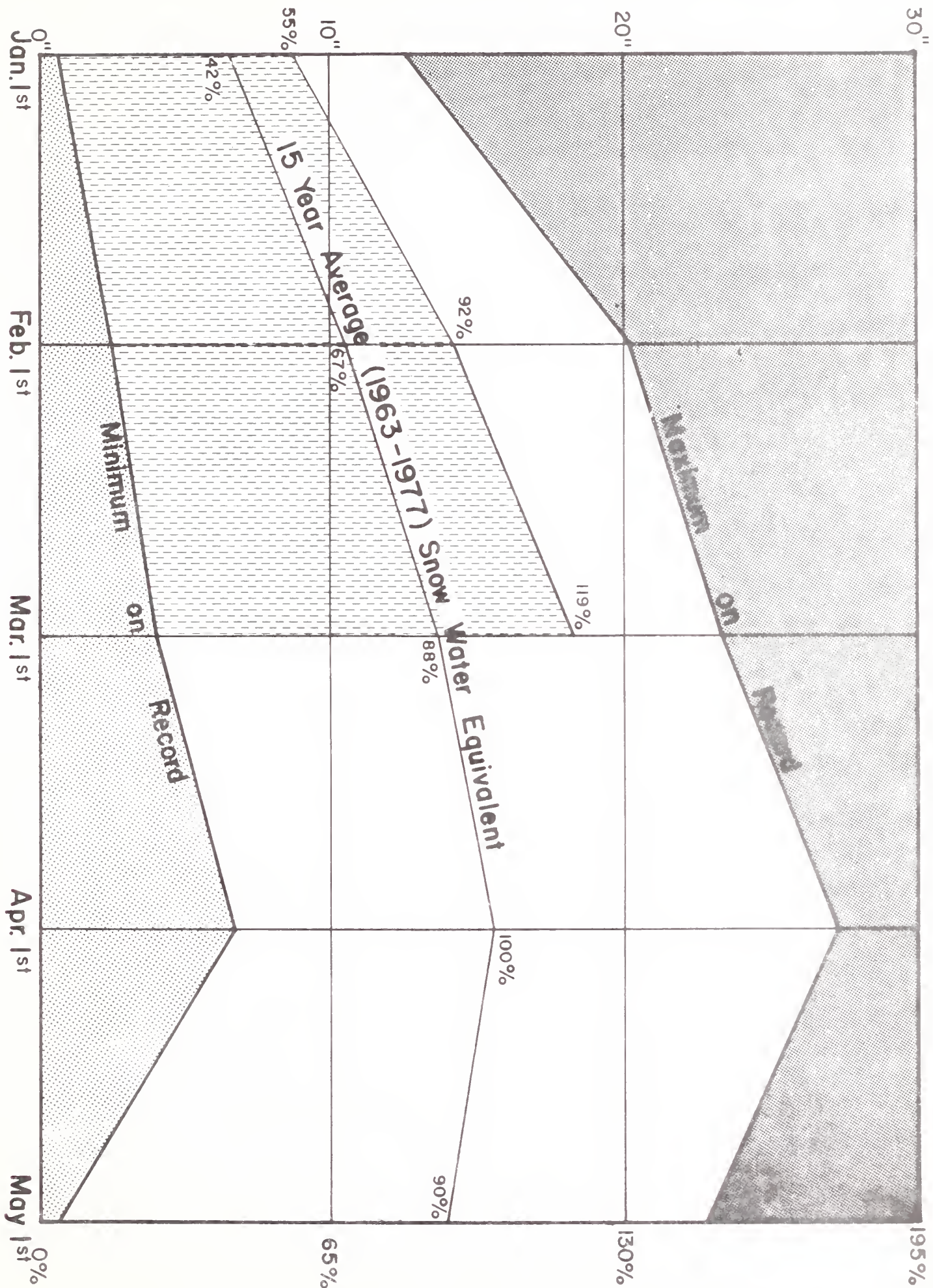






# UTAH'S WINTER SNOWPACK

Data based on 51 selected snow courses



PERCENT OF APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT

1979 Snowpack





# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

as of  
March 1, 1979

\* \* \* \* \*  
\* Utah's 1979 water supply outlook ranges from near \*  
\* average in northern Utah to better than double \*  
\* average in southern Utah. Snow cover also varies \*  
\* from near average to over twice average. Reservoir \*  
\* storage is 102% of the March 1 average and stream- \*  
\* flow forecasts range from 81% of average on the Bear \*  
\* at Randolph to 303% for Minersville Reservoir Inflow \*  
\* on the Beaver River. \*  
\* \* \* \* \*

## SNOW COVER

Snow cover ranges from 103% of average in the north eastern part of the state to 308% in the south west corner. Most basins improved during the month with the Weber now 119%, Ogden 130%, Provo 126%, Duchesne 143%, San Rafael 121%, Lower Sevier 127%, Upper Sevier 223%, Beaver 200%, and the Virgin River 217%.

## PRECIPITATION

February precipitation at mountain stations ranged from near average in northern Utah to better than twice average in southern Utah.

## SOIL MOISTURE

Watershed soil moisture ranges from near average in northern Utah to above average in the southern part of the state.

## RESERVOIR STORAGE

Storage in 25 of Utah's key reservoirs averages 102% of the March 1 average and 127% of last March 1. Most reservoirs are above average except on the Sevier River and those in Uintah Basin.

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

Streamflow forecasts range from 15 to 20% below average on the Bear and Weber Rivers to three times average for Minersville Inflow on the lower Beaver River.

Bear River forecasts range from 84% at stateline to 108% on Smith's Fork. Logan and Blacksmith's Fork are 102%.

Pineview Inflow is forecast 113%, Weber at Oakley 87%, Chalk Creek 82%, East Canyon 100% and Lost Creek 115% of the April-June average.



## WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK (continued)

Provo River is forecast 117% at Deer Creek Reservoir, Spanish Fork 115% and Utah Lake Inflow 113%. Jordan River tributaries are forecast from 92% of average on Immigration Creek to 111% on Mill Creek.

Uintah Basin streams are forecast from 101% on Yellowstone and Uintah Rivers to 115% on Currant Creek.

San Rafael tributaries are forecast 118% on Cottonwood and Ferron Creeks and 154% on Huntington Creek. Price River is forecast 141% of average.

Forecasts on the Sevier River range from 282% on the East Fork to 164% at Gunnison.

Beaver River is forecast 175% at Beaver and 303% for Inflow to Minersville Reservoir.

Ephraim Creek is forecast 200% of average and Pleasant Creek 150%. Salina Creek is forecast 168% of average, Chalk Creek 116%, Chicken Creek 123%, and Oak Creek 179%.

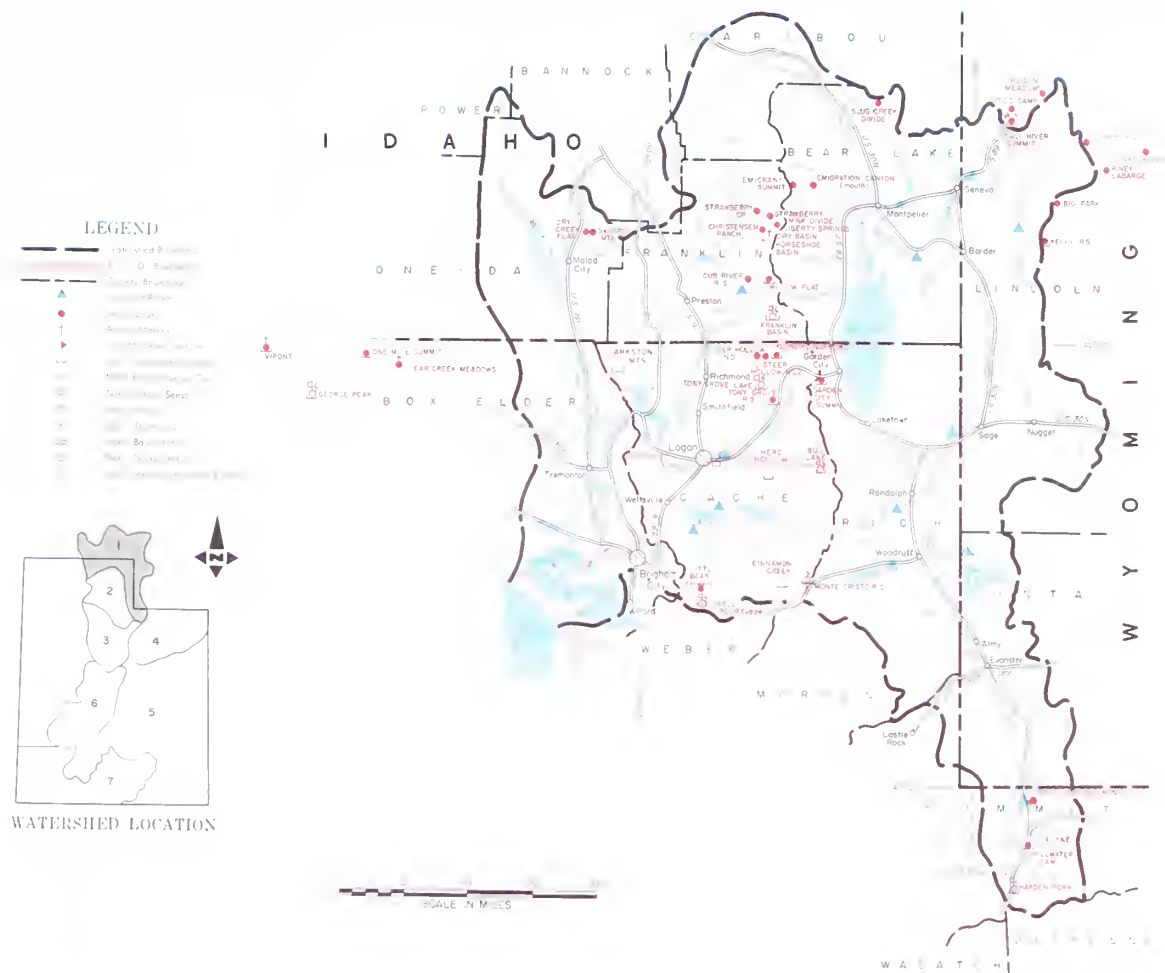
Southern Utah has the potential for much above average peak flows this spring. Precautions should be taken to protect property near streams in the area. Timing and actual height of peaks will be determined by temperature and precipitation during the snow melt period.



# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## BEAR RIVER BASIN in UTAH

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MARCH 1, 1979

### THE WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK IS NEAR AVERAGE

SNOW COVER is still 105% of average on the Upper Bear and 116% on the Lower Bear. Logan River is 110% and Raft River 109% of the March 1 average.

PRECIPITATION at mountain stations ranged from 90% of the February average at Garden City Summit to 127% at Willow Flat.

SOIL MOISTURE is generally below average.

RESERVOIR STORAGE is near average in all reservoirs.

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS range from 84% of the April-July average on the Upper Bear at the Utah-Wyoming Line to 110% for Big Creek. Bear near Woodruff is forecast 84%, Woodruff Creek 95%, Bear near Randolph 81%, Thomas Fork 109%, Smiths Fork 104%, and Bear at Harer 92%. Logan River and Blacksmith are forecast 102% of average and Little Bear 105%. Cub River near Preston is forecast 100%. Peak flow are forecast in the near average range this year assuming normal precipitation and temperatures during the runoff period.

# BEAR RIVER BASIN in UTAH

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT	THIS YEAR		FORECAST PERIOD	PAST RECORD	
	FORECAST			THOUSAND ACRE FEET	
	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average		Last Year <sup>2</sup>	Average <sup>†</sup>
<u>BEAR RIVER</u>					
Bear nr UT-Wyo. State Line	96	84	Apr-July	115	114
Bear nr Woodruff	125	84	Apr-July	125	148
Woodruff Crk nr Woodruff, UT	17.4	95	Apr-July	15.5	18.4 <sup>b</sup>
Big Creek nr Randolph, Utah	5.5	110	Apr-July	--	5.0 <sup>b</sup>
Bear nr Randolph	97	81	Apr-July	51	120
Thomas Fork nr UT-Wy State Ln	38	109	Apr-Sept	54	35
Smith's Fork nr Border, Wyo.	125	104	Apr-Sept	159	120
Bear at Harer, Idaho <sup>1/</sup>	305	92	Apr-Sept	278	332
Logan nr Logan <sup>1/</sup>	120	102	Apr-July	136	118
Blacksmith Fork nr Hyrum	55	102	Apr-July	50	54
Little Bear nr Paradise	40	105	Apr-June	25	38
Cub River nr Preston, ID	50	100	Apr-Sept	64	52
1 - Observed flow corrected for change in storage and diversions					
2 - Provisional flows - Subject to correction					
b - Average of all past record less than 15 years					

## SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS (COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

RIVER BASIN and/or SUBWATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR AS A PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average <sup>†</sup>
BEAR RIVER	32	84	114
UPPER BEAR RIVER	8	74	105
LOWER BEAR RIVER	24	87	116
LOGAN RIVER	7	85	110
UPPER RAFT RIVER	3	103	109

## RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Feet)

BASIN OR STREAM	RESERVOIR	Useable Capacity	USEABLE STORAGE		
			This Year	Last Year	Average <sup>†</sup>
<b>BEAR RIVER</b>	Bear Lake	1421.0	1025.1	785.5	1030.6
	Woodruff Narrows	26.5	17.6	4.0	20.5
<b>LITTLE BEAR</b>	Hyrum	15.3	10.2	10.2	10.9
	Porcupine	11.3	4.3	3.5	3.6
+ - 1963-77 15 year Average Period					

## PEAK FLOWS

FORECAST POINT	PEAK FLOW (SECOND FEET) (a)	
	Forecast Range	Average <sup>†</sup>
Big Creek nr Randolph	50-90	--
Logan River nr Logan	900-1200	1016
Woodruff Creek nr Woodruff	200-400	267
Little Bear nr Paradise	485-625	517
(a) - Maximum mean daily peak flow		

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## WEBER-OGDEN WATERSHEDS in UTAH

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MARCH 1, 1979

THE WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK IS NEAR AVERAGE

*SNOW COVER* improved 6 to 15% during February and now ranges from 119% of the March 1 average on the Weber to 130% on the Ogden.

*PRECIPITATION* at mountain stations varied from 84% of the February average at Sagebrush Flat to 151% at Ben Lomond Trail on the Ogden and from 99% at Chalk Creek #3 to 133% at Parleys Summit.

*SOIL MOISTURE* is below average on the Weber and near average on the Ogden.

*RESERVOIR STORAGE* is above average except in Rockport and Pineview, but all reservoirs are expected to fill this season if the remainder of the spring produces near normal precipitation.

*STREAMFLOW FORECASTS* range from 82% of the April-June average for Chalk Creek to 113% for the Inflow to Pineview. The Weber is forecast 87% at Oakley, 89% for Rockport Inflow, 85% at Coalville, and 92% at Gateway. Lost Creek is forecast 115%, East Canyon 100%, and Hardscrabble 112%. The South Fork Ogden is forecast 107% and Farmington Creek 111%.



WEBER-OGDEN WATERSHEDS in UTAH

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT	THIS YEAR		FORECAST PERIOD	PAST RECORD	
	FORECAST			THOUSAND ACRE FEET	
	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average		Last Year <sup>3</sup>	Average <sup>4</sup>
<u>WEBER-OGDEN RIVERS</u>					
Weber nr Oakley	90	87	Apr-June	121	104
Rockport Reservoir Inflow <sup>1</sup>	100	89	Apr-June	--	112
Chalk Creek at Coalville	32	82	Apr-June	37	39
Weber nr Coalville	105	85	Apr-June	--	123
Lost Creek nr Croydon, Utah <sup>1</sup>	20	115	Apr-June	--	17.4 <sup>b</sup>
East Canyon Creek nr Morgan	26	100	Apr-June	--	26
Hardscrabble Crk nr Porterville <sup>1</sup>	21	112	Apr-June	--	18.8
South Fork Ogden nr Huntsville	61	107	Apr-June	62	57
Pineview Reservoir Inflow <sup>2</sup>	130	113	Apr-June	136	115
Weber at Gateway	266	92	Apr-June	--	308
<u>JORDAN RIVER &amp; SALT LAKE</u>					
Farmington Crk nr Farmington	9.0	111	Apr-July	--	8.1 <sup>b</sup>
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SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS (COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

RIVER BASIN and/or SUB-WATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR AS A PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
OGDEN RIVER	4	97	130
WEBER RIVER	11	103	119

RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Foot)

BASIN OR STREAM	RESERVOIR	Usable Capacity	USEABLE STORAGE		
			This Year	Last Year	Average <sup>4</sup>
<b>OGDEN</b>	Causey	6.9	1.7	3.9	2.0 <sup>b</sup>
	Pineview	110.1	48.0	38.2	49.9
<b>WEBER</b>	East Canyon	48.1	38.2	21.1	28.3
	Echo	73.9	66.1	45.1	51.7 <sup>b</sup>
	Lost Creek	20.0	15.0	10.1	13.2 <sup>b</sup>
	Rockport	60.9	27.9	26.6	32.8
	Willard Bay	193.3	163.8	127.1	135.1

PEAK FLOWS

FORECAST POINT	PEAK FLOW (SECOND FEET) (a)	
	Forecast Range	Average <sup>4</sup>
South Fork Ogden nr Huntsville	600-850	772
Chalk Creek nr Coalville	350-650	--

(a) - Maximum mean daily peak flow

+ - 1963-77 15 Year Average Period

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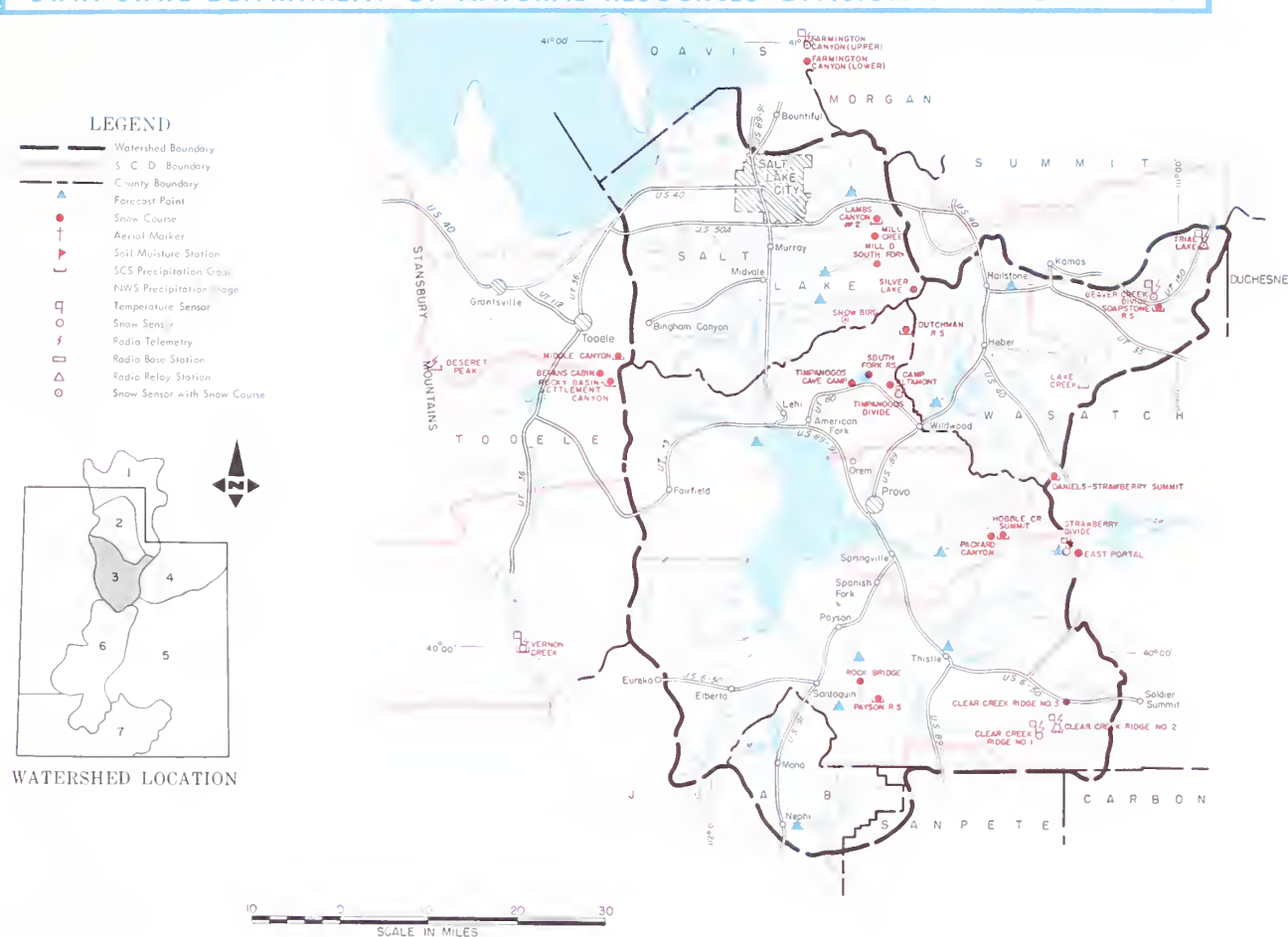
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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## UTAH LAKE, JORDAN RIVER and TOOELE VALLEY WATERSHEDS in UTAH

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MARCH 1, 1979

THE WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK IS AVERAGE

SNOW COVER ranges from 119% along the Wasatch Front to 129% in the Tooele Valley. The Utah Lake drainage is at 126% of the March 1, 15 year average. Low elevation snows are heavy this month, with Timpanogos Cave Camp reporting at 217% and Clear Creek #3 at 178%.

PRECIPITATION at mountain stations ranged from 85% at Soapstone R.S. to 136% of an average February catch at Timpanogos Divide. Mt. Dell Dam reported 98% of normal. October-February accumulated amounts are near average throughout the area.

SOIL MOISTURE is near average at this time.

RESERVOIR STORAGE is above average except at Deer Creek which contains 82,800 acre feet, for 78% of an average March 1. Utah Lake is reported at 117%.

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS vary from 92% of the April-July period at Emigration Creek to 160% for Vernon Creek near Vernon. Other forecasts are: Provo near Hailstone 108%, American Fork 114%, Spanish Fork 115%, and Utah Lake 113% of average. Big Cottonwood Creek near Salt Lake City is forecast at 108%.

# UTAH LAKE, JORDAN RIVER and TOOEE VALLEY WATERSHEDS in UTAH

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT	THIS YEAR		FORECAST PERIOD	PAST RECORD	
	FORECAST	PERCENT OF AVERAGE		THOUSAND ACRE FEET	
	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average		Last Year	Average
<b>PROVO RIVER AND UTAH LAKE</b>					
Provo nr Hailstone <sup>1</sup>	110	108	Apr-July	--	109
Provo below Deer Creek Dam <sup>1</sup>	140	117	Apr-July	--	122
American Fork nr American Fork	35	114	Apr-July	37	31
Hobble Creek nr Springville	25	127	Apr-July	--	19.7 <sup>b</sup>
Strawberry Reservoir Inflow	59	113	Apr-July	67	52 <sup>b</sup>
Spanish Fork at Thistle	45	115	Apr-July	--	39 <sup>b</sup>
Payson Creek nr Payson	7.0	111	Apr-July	--	63
Utah Lake Inflow	275	113	Apr-July	--	244
<b>JORDAN RIVER &amp; SALT LAKE</b>					
Little Cottonwood Crk nr SLC	39	103	Apr-July	--	38
Big Cottonwood nr SLC	41	108	Apr-July	42	38
Parley's Creek nr SLC	15	97	Apr-July	--	15.4
Mill Creek nr SLC	7.0	111	Apr-July	--	8.8
Emigration Creek nr SLC	4.5	92	Apr-July	--	4.9
City Creek nr SLC	10.5	98	Apr-July	--	10.7
<b>TOOELE VALLEY</b>					
Vernon Creek nr Vernon	1.6	160	Mar-July	--	1.0
Settlement Crk nr Tooele	Issued on 4/1		Apr-July	--	--

## SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS (COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

RIVER BASIN and or SUB-WATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR AS A PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
PROVO RIVER & UTAH LAKE	14	96	126
JORDAN RIVER & SALT LAKE	4	101	119
TOOELE VALLEY	2	109	129

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## RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Feet)

BASIN OR STREAM	RESERVOIR	Useable Capacity	USEABLE STORAGE		
			This Year	Last Year	Average
<b>SPANISH FORK</b>	Strawberry	270.0	164.3	143.8	153.7
<b>UTAH LAKE</b>	Utah Lake	883.9	844.2	675.8	719.8
	Settlement Creek	1.2	0.7	0.4	--
	Vernon Creek	0.6	0.6	0.4	--
<b>PROVO</b>	Deer Creek	149.7	82.8	71.6	106.6

## PEAK FLOWS

FORECAST POINT	PEAK FLOW (SECOND FEET) (a)	
	Forecast Range	Average
Hobble Creek nr Springville	150-250	260 <sup>b</sup>
Spanish Fork nr Thistle	450-650	482 <sup>b</sup>
Big Cottonwood nr Salt Lake City	375-475	--

(a) - Maximum mean daily peak flow

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# UINTAH BASIN and DAGGETT SCD's in UTAH

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT	THIS YEAR		FORECAST PERIOD	PAST RECORD	
	FORECAST	FORECAST		THOUSAND ACRE FEET	
	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average		Last Year 2	Average +
<b>DUCHESNE RIVER</b>					
Duchesne nr Tabiona <sup>1</sup>	115	107	Apr-July	--	107
Duchesne at Duchesne <sup>1</sup>	204	106	Apr-July	--	193
Strawberry at Duchesne	68	119	Apr-July	--	57
Rock Creek nr Mtn. Home	107	113	Apr-July	116	95
Current Creek nr Fruitland	23	115	Apr-July	19.0	20
Lakefork below Moon Lake <sup>1</sup>	77	107	Apr-July	70	72
Yellowstone nr Altonah	68	101	Apr-July	--	67
Duchesne at Myton <sup>1</sup>	240	114	Apr-July	134	210
Whiterocks nr Whiterock	67	112	Apr-July	49	60
Uintah nr Neola	90	101	Apr-July	72	89
Duchesne at Randlett <sup>1</sup>	280	105	Apr-July	--	266
West Fork Duchesne at Hanna	28	108	Apr-July	--	26
<b>FLAMING GORGE TO DUCHESNE RIVER</b>					
Henry's Fork at Linwood	54	100	Apr-Sept	--	54
Black's Fork at Millburne	90	98	Apr-July	--	92
Flaming Gorge Inflow	1270	98	Apr-July	1180	1292
Ashley Creek nr Vernal	62	122	Apr-July	37	51

## SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS (COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

RIVER BASIN and or SUB-WATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR AS A PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average +
DUCHESNE RIVER - TOTAL	9	112	143
LAKEFORK-YELLOWSTONE CREEKS	3	96	129
STRAWBERRY RIVER	5	110	148
UINTAH - WHITEROCKS RIVERS	2	123	145
ASHLEY CREEK	1	114	118
BLACK'S FORK	4	93	103
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## RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Feet)

BASIN OR STREAM	RESERVOIR	Usable Capacity	USEABLE STORAGE		
			This Year	Last Year	Average +
ASHLEY CREEK	Steinaker	33.3	12.3	8.3	21.9
GREEN RIVER	Flaming Gorge	3749.0	2501.7	1987.1	--
LAKE FORK	Moon Lake	35.8	7.0e	11.5	18.3
STRAWBERRY	Starvation	165.3	--	127.6	130.0b
UINTAH	Bottle Hollow	11.3	9.5	10.1	9.9b

## PEAK FLOWS

FORECAST POINT	PEAK FLOW (SECOND FEET) (a)	
	Forecast Range	Average +
Strawberry at Duchesne	750 - 1250	656
Ashley Creek nr Vernal	600 - 1400	1030
(a) - Maximum mean daily peak flow		

+ - 1963-77 15 Year Average Period  
b - Less than 15 years in average period  
e - estimated

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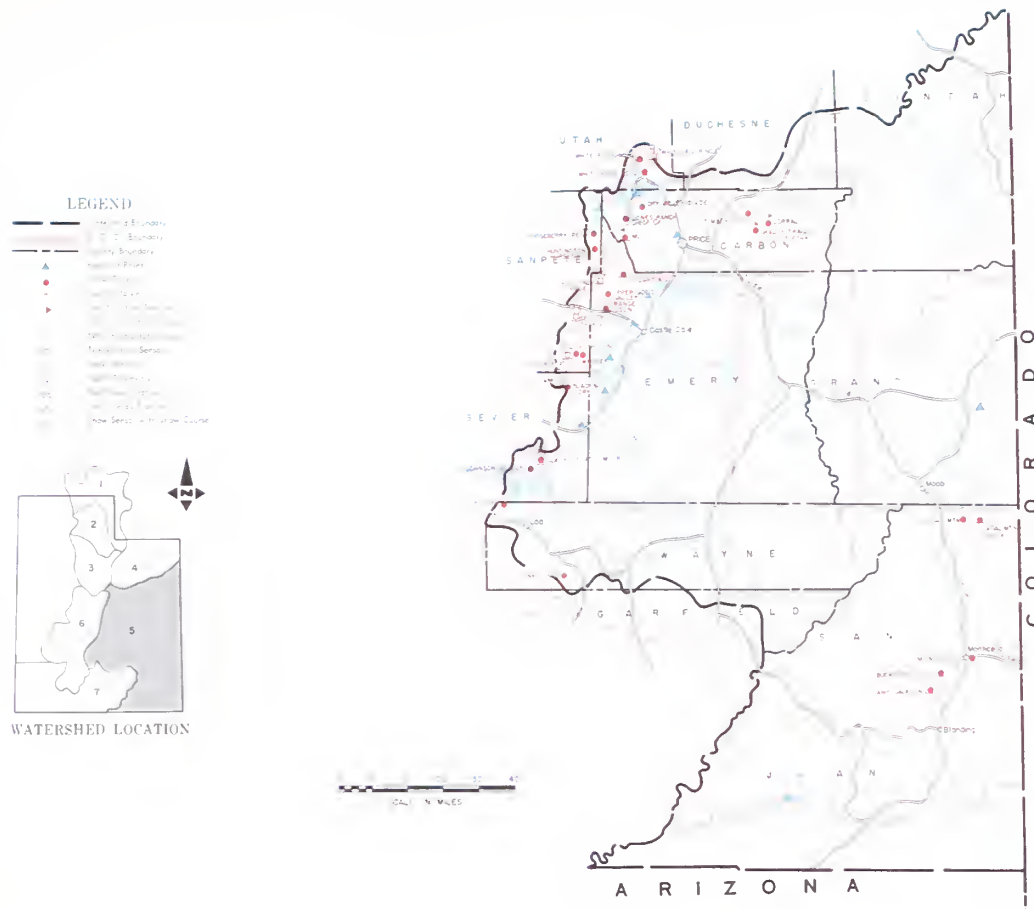
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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## CARBON, EMERY, WAYNE, GRAND and SAN JUAN COUNTIES in UTAH

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### THE WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK IS ABOVE AVERAGE

*SNOW COVER* ranges from 116% of the March 1 average on Muddy River to 251% on the Blue Mountains near Monticello. The San Rafael is 121%, Price River 139%, Fremont 187% and LaSal Mountains 163% of average.

*PRECIPITATION* at mountain stations varied from 165% at Fish Lake to only 90% at Buck Flat during February. All other locations collected above average amounts, helping to keep the October-February accumulations from 108% to 147% of average.

*SOIL MOISTURE* is above average throughout the area.

*RESERVOIR STORAGE* is again above average this month with Scofield containing 41,000 acre feet for 115% of average. Joe's Valley has 103% of its average March 1 usable capacity.

*STREAMFLOW FORECASTS* range from 118% on Ferron Creek to 214% of the April-July average on the San Juan near Bluff. Scofield Inflow is forecast at 150%, Muddy Creek 119%, and Mill Creek near Moab 147%.

CARBON, EMERY, WAYNE, GRAND and SAN JUAN COUNTIES in UTAH

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

STREAM/FLOW FORECASTS	THIS YEAR			PAST RECORD	
	FORECAST		FORECAST PERIOD	THOUSAND ACRE FEET	
	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average		Last Year <sup>2</sup>	Average <sup>+</sup>
<b>PRICE RIVER</b>					
Gooseberry Crk nr Scofield	15.0	149	Apr-July	--	10.1
Scofield Reservoir Inflow	54	150	Apr-July	--	36
Price nr Heiner <sup>1</sup>	90	141	Apr-July	--	64
<b>SAN RAFAEL RIVER</b>					
Huntington Crk nr Huntington	71	154	Apr-July	66	49 <sup>b</sup>
Cottonwood Crk nr Orangeville	50	118	Apr-July	--	44 <sup>b</sup>
Ferron Creek nr Ferron	40	118	Apr-July	--	34
<b>MUDDY CREEK</b>					
Muddy Creek nr Emery	20	119	Apr-July	--	16.8
<b>UPPER COLORADO BASIN</b>					
Colorado nr Cisco, Utah	4800	177	Apr-July	3884	2716
Green at Green River, Utah	3380	114	Apr-July	3560	2975
Mill Creek nr Moab	7.5	147	Apr-July	--	5.1 <sup>b</sup>
Navajo Reservoir Inflow	1250	206	Apr-July	--	608
San Juan nr Bluff, Utah	1850	214	Apr-July	870	865
<b>FREMONT RIVER</b>					
Seven Mile Crk nr Fish Lake	8.5	133	Apr-July	--	6.4

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

(COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

RIVER BASIN and/or SUBWATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR AS A PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
PRICE RIVER	3	110	139
SAN RAFAEL RIVER	5	80	121
FREMONT RIVER	3	125	187
LASAL MOUNTAINS	2	108	163
BLUE MOUNTAINS	2	198	251
MUDDY RIVER	1	61	116

1 - Observed flow corrected for change in storage and diversions  
2 - Provisional flows - Subject to correction

RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Foot)

BASIN OR STREAM	RESERVOIR	Usable Capacity	USEABLE STORAGE		
			This Year	Last Year	Average <sup>+</sup>
<b>PRICE RIVER</b>	Scofield	65.8	41.0	17.3	35.8
<b>SAN RAFAEL</b>	Huntington North	3.9	1.6	2.7	3.0 <sup>b</sup>
	Joe's Valley	54.6	38.0	34.1	36.9 <sup>b</sup>
	Mill Site	16.7	5.9	1.2	--
<b>SAN JUAN</b>	Navajo	1696.0	1166.2	934.8	--

+ - 1963-77 15 Year Average Period  
b - Average of all past record - less than 15 years

PEAK FLOWS

FORECAST POINT	PEAK FLOW (SECOND FEET) (a)	
	Forecast Range	Average <sup>+</sup>
Ferron Creek near Ferron	450-600	422
Muddy Creek near Emery	150-250	154

(a) - Maximum mean daily peak flow

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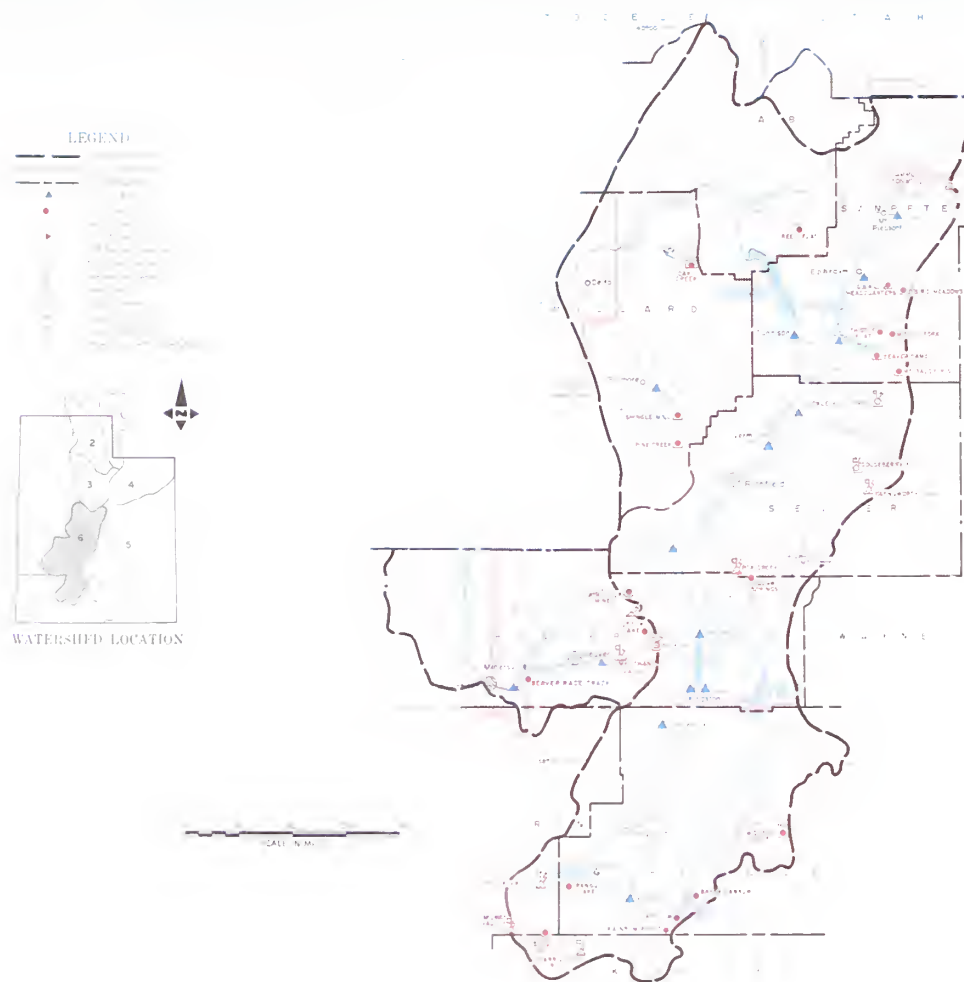
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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## SEVIER RIVER BASIN including BEAVER RIVER in UTAH

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UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES-DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS



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### THE WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK IS ABOVE AVERAGE

SNOW COVER ranges from 127% of average on the Lower Sevier to 222% on the East Fork. The South Fork is 184% and Beaver River 200% of the March 1 average.

PRECIPITATION at mountain stations ranged from 76% of average on Salina Creek during February to 264% on the East Fork Sevier.

SOIL MOISTURE is above average on the Upper Sevier and near average on the Lower Sevier.

RESERVOIR STORAGE in four Sevier River reservoirs is 64% of the March 1 average and 13% more than last year on March 1. All are expected to fill except Sevier Bridge. Minersville Reservoir is about average with 13,600 acre feet and should fill this spring.

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS range from 116% of average on Chalk Creek near Fillmore to 303% of average for Minersville Inflow. Sevier River is forecast 231% at Hatch, 252% at Circleville, 270% at Kingston, 282% on the East Fork and 164% at Gunnison. Chicken Creek is forecast 123% of average, Ephraim Creek 200%, and Pleasant Creek 150%. Beaver River is expected to produce 175% of its average and North Creeks 156% of the April-July average. Peak flows are expected to be much above average on the Upper Sevier and Beaver Rivers this year. Preparation should be made to protect property close to these streams.

**SEVIER RIVER BASIN including BEAVER RIVER in UTAH**

**STREAMFLOW FORECASTS**

BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT	THIS YEAR			PAST RECORD	
	FORECAST		FORECAST PERIOD	THOUSAND ACRE FEET	
	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average		Last Year	Average †
<b>SEVIER RIVER</b>					
Sevier at Hatch	95	231	Apr-July	51	41
Sevier nr Circleville	73	252	Apr-July	--	29
Sevier nr Kingston	62	270	Apr-July	--	22
Antimony Crk nr Antimony	16.5	239	Apr-July	--	6.9
East Fork Sevier nr Kingston	43	282	Apr-July	--	15.4
Sevier below Piute Dam	98	272	Apr-July	--	36
Clear Crk nr Sevier (abv Div)	34	180	Apr-July	25	17.8
Inflow					
Kingston to Vermillion Dam	110	196	Apr-June	--	56
Vermillion Dam to Gunnison	57	165	Mar-June	--	35
Salina Creek at Salina	18.7	168	Apr-June	12.8	11.1
Sevier nr Gunnison	82	164	Apr-July	35	50
Chalk Creek nr Fillmore	18.0	116	Apr-July	--	15.5
Chicken Creek nr Levan	3.8	123	Apr-July	--	3.1
Oak Cr. nr Oak City	2.5	179	Apr-July	--	1.4
<b>SAN PITCH RIVER</b>					
Ephraim Creek nr Ephraim	29	200	Apr-July	--	14.5
Pleasant Crk nr Mt. Pleasant	12.9	150	Apr-July	--	8.6
<b>BEAVER RIVER</b>					
Beaver nr Beaver	35	175	Apr-July	37	20
North Creek (Combined)	19	156	Apr-July	--	12.2
Minersville Reservoir Inflow	20	303	Apr-June	--	6.6

**SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS**

(COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

RIVER BASIN and/or SUBWATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR AS A PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
UPPER SEVIER RIVER	10	157	207
East Fork Sevier	4	171	222
South Fork Sevier	6	138	184
LOWER SEVIER	8	88	127
BEAVER RIVER	3	143	200

1 - Observed flow corrected for change in storage and diversions  
2 - Provisional flows - Subject to correction

**RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Feet)**

BASIN OR STREAM	RESERVOIR	Usable Capacity	USEABLE STORAGE		
			This Year	Last Year	Average †
<b>SEVIER RIVER</b>	Gunnison	18.2	12.4	2.5	14.0
	Otter Creek	52.5	23.3	21.8	33.1
	Piute	71.8	31.7	21.0	44.9
	Sevier Bridge	236.0	76.3	81.7	131.4
<b>BEAVER RIVER</b>	Minersville (Rky Fd)	23.3	13.6	5.6	13.5

b - Average of all past record - less than 15 years  
+ - 1963-77 15 Year Average Period

**PEAK FLOWS**

FORECAST POINT	PEAK FLOW (SECOND FEET) (a)	
	Forecast Range	Average †
Sevier River at Hatch	800-1000	428
Sevier River nr Circleville	640-840	321
Sevier River nr Kingston	500-700	300
Clear Creek nr Sevier	270-330	--
Salina Creek nr Salina	700-900	--
Beaver River nr Beaver	320-550	211

(a) - Maximum mean daily peak flow

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## EAST GARFIELD, KANE, WASHINGTON and IRON COUNTIES in UTAH

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UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES-DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS



### THE WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK IS ABOVE AVERAGE

**SNOW COVER** ranges from 171% of the March 1 average on Parowan Creek to 308% in the Enterprise-New Harmony area. Coal Creek watershed has 202% of average snow cover and the Virgin River 217%.

**PRECIPITATION** at mountain stations ranged from 184% of the February average on Parowan Creek to 215% on the Virgin River.

**SOIL MOISTURE** is above average in this area.

**RESERVOIR STORAGE** is reported as above average with a heavy snowpack above all reservoirs in the area.

**STREAMFLOW FORECASTS** range from 155% of average for Lake Powell Inflow to 244% for the Santa Clara near Pine Valley. The Virgin River is forecast 220% near Hurricane and Coal Creek near Cedar City 192% of the April-July average. Higher than normal peak flows are expected in this area due to very heavy snowpack on all watersheds. Precautions should be taken to protect property near streams which might be affected by high streamflow as the snow begins to melt.

# EAST GARFIELD, KANE, WASHINGTON and IRON COUNTIES in UTAH

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT	THIS YEAR		FORECAST PERIOD	PAST RECORD	
	FORECAST			THOUSAND ACRE FEET	
	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average		Last Year	Average †
<u>VIRGIN RIVER</u>					
Virgin nr Hurricane	107	220	Apr-June	--	49
Santa Clara nr Pine Valley	10.0	244	Apr-June	9.9	4.1
<u>COAL CREEK</u>					
Coal Creek nr Cedar City	32	192	Apr-July	--	17.0
<u>UPPER COLORADO</u>					
Lake Powell Inflow	10800	155	Apr-July	--	6952
2 - Provisional Flows - Subject to correction					

## SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

(COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

RIVER BASIN and/or SUB-WATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR AS A PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
COAL CREEK	3	148	202
VIRGIN RIVER	3	140	217
PAROWAN CREEK	4	146	171
ENTERPRISE - NEW HARMONY	2	191	308

## RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Feet)

BASIN OR STREAM	RESERVOIR	Usable Capacity	USEABLE STORAGE		
			This Year	Last Year	Average †
<b>COLORADO</b>	Lake Powell	25002.0	15126.0	14555.0	--
	Blue Mesa	829.5	420.4	235.1	--
b - Average of all past record - less than 15 years + - 1963-77 15 year Average Period					

## PEAK FLOWS

FORECAST POINT	PEAK FLOW (SECOND FEET) (a)	
	Forecast Range	Average †
Coal Creek nr Cedar City	400-600	269
Virgin nr Hurricane	1200-1600	--
(a) - Maximum mean daily peak flow		

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## SNOW

DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COURSE	THIS YEAR			PAST RECORD		PRECIPITATION (Inches)						
	Date of Survey	Snow Depth (Inches)	Water Content (Inches)	Water Content (inches)		CURRENT INFORMATION			FROM APPROX. OCT. 1 TO DATE			
				Last Year	Average †	Date of Reading	Month's Precipitation	Average †	This Year	Average †	Percent of Average	
NAME												
GREAT BASIN												
UPPER BEAR RIVER (Above Harer, Idaho)												
Big Park	2/26	60	17.6	25.8	17.5							
Burts-Miller Ranch	2/28	22	5.4	4.3	- -	2/28	.84	- -	5.75	- -	- -	
CCC Camp	2/27	46	13.2	16.4	11.1							
Hayden Fork	2/28	48	14.0	14.6	12.7a							
Kelly R.S.	2/26	63	18.9	24.0	15.3							
Monte Cristo R.S.	2/27	63e	22.7e	25.0	22.0	2/27	4.00e	4.15	19.23	21.27	90	
Poison Meadows	2/26	82	22.8	39.4	25.0							
Salt River Summit	2/27	56	15.4	21.2	14.4	2/27	3.56	2.91	14.31	14.26	100	
Snider Basin	2/26	54	16.6	21.8	15.0							
Stillwater Camp	2/28	39	9.9	10.1	- -	2/28	1.82	- -	8.78	- -	- -	
LOWER BEAR RIVER (Below Harer, Idaho)												
Bug Lake	2/27	61	20.1	18.5	15.6a							
Christensen Ranch	2/26	43	10.9	11.2	7.9							
Cliff Canyon	2/26	34	8.6	12.3	- -							
Cub River R.S.	2/26	43	11.5	11.0	8.4							
Daniels Creek	2/26	32	7.7	7.9	- -							
Dry Basin	2/26	87	26.8	33.8	24.2b							
Dry Creek Flat	2/26	36	10.7	11.3	7.4							
Emigrant Summit	2/27	78	23.3	28.2	21.7							
Emigration Canyon	2/27	43	12.4	13.2	9.7							
Franklin Basin	2/26	74	22.8	26.7	22.7							
Garden City Summit	2/26	61	17.7	18.1	15.3	2/26	3.11	3.47	18.16	15.80	115	
Horseshoe Basin	2/26	72	22.5	31.9	22.0b							
Klondike Narrows	2/26	65	18.5	22.6	17.3	2/26	4.29	- -	16.13	- -	- -	
Liberty Springs	2/26	105	35.0	44.4	32.7							
Little Bear (lower)	2/27	42	12.6	11.8	9.2							
Little Bear (upper)	2/27	50	15.1	12.3	10.9							
Lower Elkhorn	2/26	46	12.5	19.9	12.7b							
Oxford Mountain	2/26	46	13.1	12.6	9.4b							
Slug Creek Divide	2/27	50	14.8	21.4	14.8							
Steep Hollow #1	2/26	102	32.2	38.1	30.8							
Steep Hollow #2	2/26	81	23.5	30.0	22.4							
Strawberry Creek	2/27	49	13.6	12.4	9.6							
Strawberry Mink Divide	2/26	73	22.0	25.6	18.7							
Tony Grove Lake	2/26	106	32.8	42.5	28.4a							
Tony Grove R.S.	2/26	52	14.9	13.6	10.9							
Upper Elkhorn	2/26	61	18.3	24.4	16.4b							
Willow Flat	2/26	62	19.9	18.7	13.9	2/26	4.71	3.71	18.97	18.85	101	
Worm Creek	2/26	66	19.7	22.5	- -							
RAFT RIVER												
Clear Creek Meadows	2/26	69	19.6	20.9	19.1							
George Peak	2/26	70	20.0	24.5	- -							
One Mile Summit	2/26	24	6.6	4.5	6.1							
Vipont (A)	2/26	51	15.5	15.0	12.9b							
OGDEN RIVER												
Beaver Creek-Skunk Creek	2/27	42	15.5	13.9	10.8							
Ben Lomond Peak	2/27	115	38.4	43.7	29.1							
Ben Lomond Trail	2/27	80	25.2	- -	15.7b	2/27	6.74	4.47b	25.42	24.98b	102	
Causey Dam						2/27	2.08	2.42b	12.40	11.91	104	
Dry Bread Pond	2/27	59	18.6	19.9	16.0	2/27	3.30e	- -	- -	16.96b	- -	
North Fork		Data Delayed										
Sagebrush Flat	2/27	21	6.7	3.9	5.0	2/27	2.18	2.58	12.73	12.07	105	
WEBER RIVER												
Beaver Creek R.S.	2/27	31	8.5	8.1	7.5							
Chalk Creek #1	2/28	61	17.6	20.2	18.0							
Chalk Creek #2	2/28	46	12.0	12.1	12.2							
Chalk Creek #3	2/28	28	6.4	5.8	6.7	2/28	1.80	1.82b	8.14	11.26b	72	
East Shingle Lake (A)		Not Measured										
Farmington Canyon (lower)	2/27	80	26.8	24.8	18.4b	2/27	5.98	4.04b	23.17	22.40	103	
Farmington Canyon (upper)	2/27	88	28.8	30.7	25.3b							
Farmington G.S.						2/27	4.12	- -	18.60	- -	- -	
Horse Ridge	2/27	66	23.9	21.1	18.2b	2/27	4.12	- -	21.91	19.40b	113	



# SNOW

SNOW	THIS YEAR			PAST RECORD		PRECIPITATION (Inches)						
	DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COURSE	Date of Survey	Snow Depth (Inches)	Water Content (Inches)	Water Content (Inches)		CURRENT INFORMATION			FROM APPRDX. DCT. 1 TO DATE		
					Last Year	Average †	Date of Reading	Month's Precipitation	Average †	This Year	Average †	Percent of Average
NAME												
WEBER RIVER (cont'd)												
Killfoil Creek	2/27	55	16.3	13.6	11.6b							
Lost Creek Reservoir	2/27	30	9.3	7.7	4.9b	2/27	1.96	- -	10.54	- -	- -	
Park City Summit	2/27	78	24.4	23.4	- -							
Parley's Canyon Summit	2/27	64	17.5	18.4	16.1	2/27	4.90	3.68	17.29	18.48	94	
Redden Mine (lower)		Not Measured										
Redden Mine (upper)		Not Measured										
Sergeant Lake (A)	3/3	51	14.8	- -	- -							
Smith & Morehouse	2/28	41	12.2	10.9	11.4	2/28	3.15	2.81	12.17	14.71	83	
PROVO RIVER & UTAH LAKE												
Beaver Creek Divide	2/27	42	11.8	13.0	10.9a							
Camp Altamont	2/26	68	21.8	18.8	13.4							
Clear Creek Ridge #1	3/1	65e	18.2e	23.9	15.6							
Clear Creek Ridge #2	3/1	51	14.6	16.0	11.8	3/1	2.80	2.48b	15.22	13.35b	114	
Clear Creek Ridge #3	3/1	36	10.9	9.6	6.9							
Dutchman R.S.	2/26	71	20.8	21.8	14.4							
Hobble Creek Summit	3/1	59	15.6	17.0	12.3	3/1	- -	- -	15.70	14.49	108	
Payson R.S.	3/1	59	15.2	20.3	16.5b	3/1	3.80	3.01	17.55	15.05	117	
Rock Bridge	3/1	36	10.8	11.2	10.7b							
Soapstone R.S.	2/28	41	12.3	12.6	11.1	2/28	2.26	2.66	12.97	13.82	94	
South Fork R.S.	2/26	39	10.4	11.3	6.1							
Timpanogos Cave Camp	2/26	22	5.4	2.0	2.4							
Timpanogos Divide	2/26	83	27.2	24.2	21.5	2/26	5.85	4.30	26.15	21.73	120	
Trial Lake	2/27	75	22.3	25.8	20.0	2/27	4.66	3.87	21.52	20.07	107	
JORDAN RIVER & GREAT SALT LAKE												
Lamb's Canyon #2	2/27	54	15.0	16.0	- -	2/27	4.80a	- -	15.18a	- -	- -	
Middle Canyon	2/27	45	14.8	10.9	12.1	2/27	2.60	2.79	14.00	12.53	112	
Mill Creek	2/28	57	15.8	17.4	- -							
Mill D South Fork	2/26	62	17.3	18.4	17.1							
Mt. Dell Dam						3/1	1.74	1.77	- -	11.14	- -	
Silver Lake (Brighton)	2/26	82	24.2	24.4	19.6	3/1	5.75	4.31	23.62	22.38	106	
Snow Bird (Gad Valley)	2/28	101	34.2	33.8	- -							
Vernon Creek	2/28	52	13.2	14.5	9.3a	2/28	2.70	- -	15.50	12.76b	121	
UPPER SEVIER RIVER (South of Richfield, Utah)												
Box Creek	2/26	60	22.2	10.2	10.7	2/26	3.40	- -	17.80	11.10	160	
Bryce Canyon	2/28	46	10.4	8.1	3.9							
Castle Valley	2/26	66	20.2	11.2	10.6	2/26	4.10	- -	20.65	11.12	186	
Duck Creek R.S.	3/2	86	25.0	16.8	10.7	3/2	5.70	2.35b	25.43	13.25	192	
Farview	2/26	61	19.5	5.6	- -							
Harris Flat	3/2	69	22.0	12.9	6.9							
Kimberly Mine	2/26	65	22.1	13.1	12.3	2/26	5.20	3.18b	19.68	14.38	137	
Midway Valley	3/3	101	33.8	19.8	16.6	3/3	7.10	- -	29.60	- -	- -	
Panguitch Lake	2/26	44	11.4	7.3	3.8	2/26	2.50	- -	12.50	6.51b	192	
Rainbow Point	2/26	67	20.8	7.0	- -							
Squaw Springs	2/26	41	11.8	7.7	6.1							
LOWER SEVIER RIVER (Including San Pitch River)												
Beaver Dams	2/28	48	14.5	16.7	9.6b	2/28	2.30	- -	14.65	10.66	137	
Farnsworth Lake	2/26	56	17.4	17.6	15.1	2/26	3.50	3.59	15.80	15.23	104	
G.B.R.C. Headquarters	2/28	55	16.8	19.7	13.0	2/28	4.30	2.69	16.60	14.21	117	
G.B.R.C. Majors						2/28	1.85	1.30	8.95	6.95	129	
G.B.R.C. Meadows	2/28	71	21.0	28.7	18.6	2/28	5.20	3.59	19.97	17.57	114	
G.B.R.C. Oaks						2/28	2.30	1.88	10.85	9.70	112	
Gooseberry R.S.	2/26	35	12.2	11.1	10.1	2/26	1.80	2.38b	12.05	9.87b	122	
Mammoth-Cottonwood Creek	2/26	68	22.0	22.8	17.4							
Middle Fork	2/28	74	22.4	- -	- -							
Mt. Baldy R.S.	2/28	84	26.0	29.8	18.6b	2/28	2.90	- -	19.50	13.76	142	
Oak Creek	2/28	55	14.9	- -	- -	2/28	4.35	- -	16.81	- -	- -	
Pickle Keg Springs	2/28	57	20.0	- -	13.2a							
Pine Creek	3/1	54	16.8	19.1	13.1	3/1	4.50	- -	18.21	18.53	98	
Ree's Flat	3/2	47	12.3	- -	10.3b	3/2	2.40	- -	12.66	- -	- -	
Shingle Mill	2/28	31	9.2	- -	7.6	2/28	2.65	2.33b	12.00	12.58	95	
Thistle Flat	2/28	54	15.8	- -	- -							



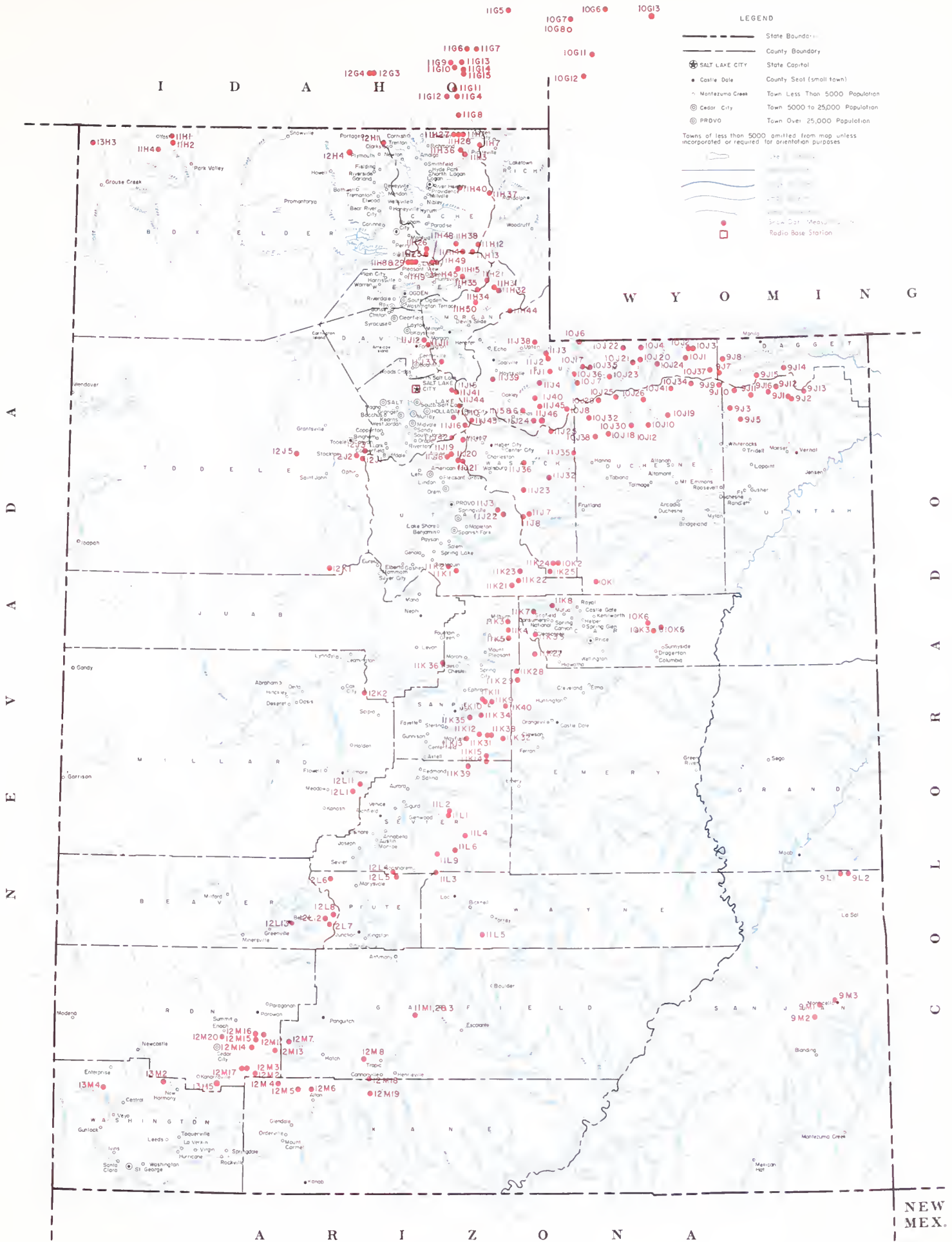
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NAME												
BEAVER RIVER												
Beaver Race Track	2/27	1	0.5	0.5	--							
Beaver Canyon Power House						3/1	3.11	--	11.79	--	--	
Big Flat	2/26	83	22.7	17.4	12.8	2/26	5.80	2.60	21.09	12.53	168	
Merchant's Valley (upper)	2/26	62	20.0	13.4	9.6b	2/26	5.10	2.11b	16.57	11.29	147	
Otter Lake	2/26	73	22.0	14.3	9.9							
PAROWAN CREEK												
Birch Crossing	3/1	40	10.8	7.5	6.0b							
Brian Head	2/26	90	26.2	19.0	16.3b							
Tall Poles	3/1	6	19.6	12.7	11.5b	3/1	4.40	2.39b	14.85	11.87b	125	
Yankee Reservoir	2/26	51	14.0	9.0	7.4	2/26	3.15	--	14.45	9.40b	154	
ENTERPRISE TO NEW HARMONY DRAINAGES												
Little Grassy Creek	3/3	47	15.5	6.8	3.6	3/3	3.00	--	19.30	12.33b	156	
Long Flat	3/3	47	12.8	8.0	5.6	3/3	2.70	--	16.85	9.23	182	
COAL CREEK												
Cedar City Golf Course	3/1	3	1.0	0.0	--							
SUSC Ranch	3/1	54	16.2	11.2	7.5b							
COLORADO RIVER DRAINAGE												
UPPER GREEN RIVER - UTAH												
Ashley-Twin Lakes (A)	3/3	69	15.9	--	--							
Black's Fork G.S.-East Fork	2/28	31	7.8	8.5	7.4	2/28	1.76	--	8.12	9.51	85	
Black's Fork Junction	2/28	34	8.0	8.5	7.4	2/28	1.53	--	7.86	9.37	84	
Buck Pasture (A)	3/3	57	14.2	--	--							
Burnt Creek	3/1	25	5.2	4.5	4.2b	3/1	.80	1.23b	7.22	7.32b	99	
Dutch John Junction	3/1	24	5.4	4.5	--							
Grizzly Ridge	3/1	46	11.5	9.2	--	3/1	2.78	1.80b	11.95	10.55	113	
Henry's Fork (A)	3/3	50	12.5	--	--							
Hewinta G.S.	2/28	32	8.0	7.3	7.3	2/28	1.61	--	8.74	10.06	87	
Hickerson Park	2/28	29	6.2	4.6	5.0b	2/28	--	--	5.91	7.65b	77	
Highline Trail		Discontinued										
King's Cabin (lower)		Discontinued										
King's Cabin (upper)	2/28	40e	9.6e	8.4	8.1	2/28	2.00e	--	9.99a	9.24	108	
Reynolds Park (A)	3/3	84	21.8	--	--							
Spirit Lake	2/28	47	11.7	8.4	9.7	2/28	2.26	--	11.90	11.04	108	
Steel Creek Park	2/28	48	12.0	14.1	12.8b							
Trout Creek	2/28	48	11.2	8.2	--	2/28	2.19	--	10.61	--	--	
Windy Park (A)	3/3	51	14.8	--	--							
DUCHESNE RIVER												
Atwood Lake (A)	3/3	96	23.0	--	--							
Brown Duck Ridge	2/28	69	18.9	--	14.1a	2/28	--	--	15.95	--	--	
Chepeta-Whiterocks (A)	3/3	74	19.2	--	--							
Currant Creek	2/24	55	13.5	11.8	7.8a	2/24	4.00a	--	18.57	--	--	
Daniels-Strawberry Summit	2/24	60	16.0	15.7	12.3	2/24	3.15	3.10	17.76	15.13	117	
East Portal	2/27	51	15.5	14.0	9.6	2/27	3.25	3.08	17.61	14.22	124	
Five Points Lake (A)	3/3	72	17.3	--	--							
Indian Canyon	2/26	57	16.3	12.0	10.1	2/26	2.25	2.18	15.71	10.87	144	
Jackson Park	2/28	55	13.1	--	--	2/28	2.43	--	13.05	--	--	
Lakefork Basin (A)	3/3	69	18.6	--	--							
Lakefork Mountain	2/27	45	10.9	10.7	9.0	2/27	2.17	1.86	11.87	10.54	113	
Lakefork Mountain #3	2/27	32	6.9	7.9	5.3							
Lightning Lake (A)	3/3	78	21.1	--	--							
Mosby Mountain	2/27	47	11.4	9.2	7.7	2/27	2.65	1.66b	12.22	10.53	116	
Paradise Park	2/27	56	14.5	11.9	10.2	2/27	2.89	1.91b	17.12	11.27	152	
Rock Creek Ranch	2/28	31	7.9	9.2	--	2/28	1.92	--	11.15	--	--	
Strawberry Divide	2/27	68	21.8	20.0	16.5							
PRICE RIVER												
Dry Valley Divide Alternate	3/1	40	11.8	--	--							
Gooseberry Reservoir		Snow Course Discontinued				2/26	4.10	3.27	19.44	15.36	126	
Mud Creek	2/28	51	14.2	14.8	11.4	2/28	3.10	2.49	14.20a	11.69	121	
White River #1	3/1	55	17.4	13.0	11.3	3/1	--	--	16.28	11.08	147	
White River #3	3/1	36	10.6	10.6	7.6							

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<u>SAN RAFAEL RIVER</u>											
Buck Flat	2/28	59	17.6	22.7	13.3	2/28	2.90	3.21	18.35	14.50	126
Huntington-Horseshoe	2/26	66	23.0	26.7	- -						
Orange Olsen	2/28	28	8.4	8.0	- -	2/28	1.90	1.17b	9.75	6.39	152
Red Pine Ridge	2/28	53	16.0	18.4	14.3	2/28	3.50	3.48	17.60	16.25	108
Seeley Creek R.S.	2/28	51	14.2	21.2	13.4						
Stuart R.S.	2/28	36	10.4	- -	- -	2/28	2.00	- -	12.03	- -	- -
Upper Joe's Valley	2/28	42	12.4	12.8	8.8						
Wrigley Creek	2/28	49	12.8	14.0	8.9						
<u>MUDDY RIVER</u>											
Black's Fork	2/28	51	14.0	17.9	- -						
Dill's Camp	2/28	45	11.4	18.8	9.8a	2/28	1.50	- -	15.51	- -	- -
<u>FREMONT RIVER</u>											
Black's Flat-U.M. Creek	2/26	48	14.2	12.2	8.9	2/26	2.10	- -	14.18	9.64b	147
Fish Lake	2/26	46	13.2	9.6	6.6	2/26	1.90	1.15	11.00	7.50	147
Johnson Valley	2/26	41	11.6	9.7	5.6						
<u>SOUTHEASTERN UTAH DRAINAGES</u>											
Buckboard Flat	2/26	72	23.5	10.2	8.8	2/26	3.24	- -	24.69	15.18	163
Camp Jackson	2/26	73	24.5	14.0	10.3	2/26	3.83	- -	26.33	14.27	184
LaSal Mountain (lower)	2/28	43	11.6	11.6	7.1						
LaSal Mountain (upper)	2/28	65	18.9	16.7	11.6b	2/28	3.30	- -	16.94	11.04	153
Monticello City Park	3/1	26	9.2	2.7	- -						
<u>ESCALANTE RIVER</u>											
Widtsoe-Escalante #3	3/2	71	20.0	11.6	8.3	3/2	5.50	2.08	19.55	9.67	202
<u>VIRGIN RIVER</u>											
Kolob-Crystal	3/3	103	30.0	22.8	17.3a						
Long Valley Junction	3/2	53	15.6	10.8	4.0						
Webster Flat	3/3	88	27.0	21.0	13.9	3/3	7.60	3.53	31.08	15.15	205
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